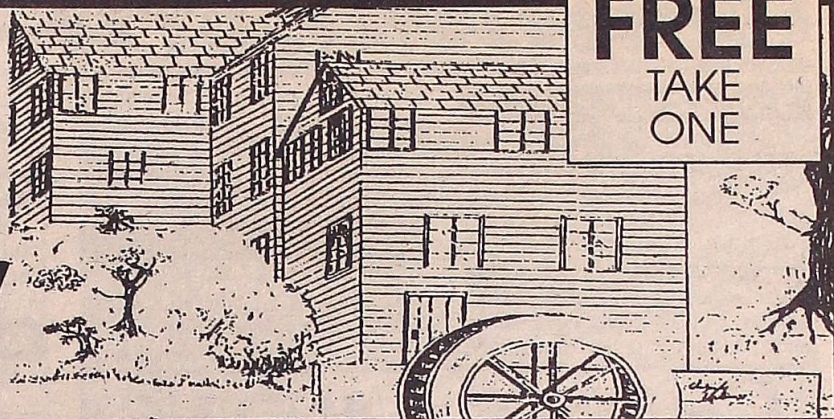


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## SUPERVISOR'S CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS QUESTIONED BY CITIZENS AT TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

by KIMBERLY BLAKER

The Concerned Citizens Coalition held a Special Meeting on October 23 to discuss a possible conflict of interest. The issue related to campaign contributions made to Huron Township Supervisor David Glaab by outside developers and builders, currently developing in Huron Township, and other businesses such as engineering firms and development consultants.

The issue was again raised at the Huron Township Board meeting on October 25. During public comments, Ron Wheeler told the Board he had questions relating to site plan approval of Huron Park Condos.

Wheeler asked, "Why is it back on the agenda tonight?"

The Supervisor replied, "Why is it on the agenda? Because there have been significant changes..."

Next Wheeler asked, "How can a project without site plan approval do construction? Who issued the building permits? Doesn't site plan approval come first?"

The Supervisor responded, "Any other comments before we move on?" To which Wheeler replied, "No, that was a question."

The Supervisor continued, "Well those issues will be addressed by Leslie Meyer when it comes up on the agenda."

Next, Barb Bidwell told the Board that walking by the area of Huron Park Condos she hasn't seen any road rebuilding and asked, "Have they

widened the road at all?"

The Supervisor responded, "Again, we'll address that when that item comes on the agenda."

She then asked, "Who issues building permits on a site where there is no site plan approval? How did they get that many permits without approval?"

The Supervisor did not answer.

Yvonne Schoedel, President of C3 then answered the Board. She said, "Upon checking campaign finance contributions of both candidates for Supervisor, [we found] Supervisor David Glaab had contributions totaling \$14,919. Candidate Mitchell had \$1,500 in donations."

Schoedel continued, "We noticed that Supervisor Glaab had received donations from developers and builders of Township properties. In particular, three \$500 donations totaling \$1,500 ... were received from

members of the Policchio family of Birmingham..."

Schoedel explained that by accident members of C3 happened to find the name "Policchio Building Company" at the Huron Park Condos development. "Is this family related to the builder of Huron Park Condos?" Schoedel questioned.

The Supervisor responded, "Well, if you want to address an agenda item ... those comments are not related to the agenda ..."

Schoedel continued, "Keep in mind, Huron Park Condo development is the one where the roads are in question."

She explained that although it is not illegal to accept donations from builders, developers, and planning consultants, "it seems highly unethical. If the developer of Huron Park Condos and the Policchio family are one in the same, then we suggest, Supervisor

Glaab, that you abstain from voting to avoid the appearance of a conflict of interest."

The Supervisor acknowledged "As you know, I don't have a problem taking donations from business people in our community. I don't treat them any different that I do anybody else in this community. Everybody gets equal treatment. You can read into it what you want, Mrs. Schoedel, but there's nothing to it."

According to the Supervisor's Campaign Finance Reports for 1999 and 2000, he received donations from:

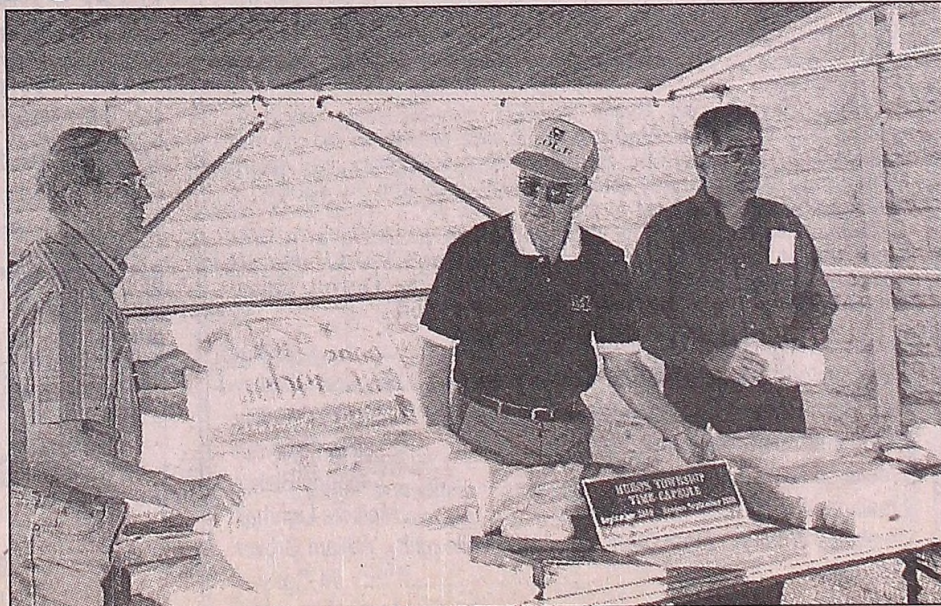
- Heinz Prechter of Grosse Ile, owner of *The News-Herald* (Heritage Newspapers) where the Township currently publishes its legal notices.
- Raymond W. Fisher Development Company, developer of Fox River Development on Huron River Drive.

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## 100-YEAR TIME CAPSULE BURIED — TO BE REOPENED 2100

Sunday, October 21, the Huron Township Historical Society and the Historical Commission buried the 100-year time capsule in the front yard of the Samuel Adams Historical House.

The time capsule was an idea proposed last year by Historical Society member Larry O'Kelley as a way to preserve a little bit of Huron Township and our times. He described the purpose as providing a "reflection of a noble people and the ideas they stood for." He was particularly hopeful the future residents would understand the rural character of our community and our desire to maintain our "country charm."



(L-R) FRANK BROWN, LARRY KITTLE, MIKE MYKELOFF.

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# Community Calendar

## Sept. 22 - Nov. 11

Grass Roots Nursery, 24765 Bell Rd., New Boston will hold Over-Wintering classes on Sundays, October 22 and 28, Nov. 5 and 11. Classes start at 11 a.m. and are free.

## November 2

Sauerkraut Supper 5-7 p.m. or sold out. Family style. Homemade

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## November 3

Potato Pancake Supper, 4:30-7 p.m. St. John's Lutheran Church, 28320 Waltz Road, Waltz, MI. \$7 donation for adults, \$3 donation for

children 6-12. Children five and under free. Sponsored by St. John's Ladies Aid/LWML.

## November 22

Thanksgiving Eve. 7 p.m. St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, corner of Ellic and Craig St., New Boston.

## Daily

Historical Society Calendars on

sale daily at Reininger Realty.

## Monthly Meetings

Concerned Citizens Coalition (C3) meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at the American Legion Hall at 7:30 p.m. Call 753-4838 for additional information.

HAA monthly meetings are held the second Tues. each month at 7:30

p.m. at Krzyske Community Center. All monthly meetings are open to the public.

M.O.P.S. (Mothers of Pre-Schoolers) meet the second and fourth Tues. of each month at St. John's Lutheran Church in Waltz from 9-11 a.m. There is child care available. Come for rest, support, crafts, and affirmation. For mothers of infants through kindergarten-age children. 783-3669.

Recreation Committee meets the first Tues. of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Huron Township Hall.

VanBuren, Belleville, Sumpter Democratic Club holds its meetings the fourth Thurs. of each month at 7 p.m. at Lakeview Printing, 70 Davis St., Belleville.

Huron Athletic Boosters meet the first Tues. of each month. Call 654-3781 for info.

V.F.W. Post 6040 meets the third Tues. of each month at the Krzyske Center in Waltz, 7 p.m.

## Township Meetings

Board of Trustees meet second Wed. of the month at 7:00 at the Krzyske Center in Waltz.

Planning Commission meets the second Mon. of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Krzyske Center.

Zoning Board of Appeals meets the first Mon. of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Krzyske Center.

Historical Society meets the third Wed. of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Historical House.

Historical Comm. meets the second Thursday of each month at the Samuel Adams House at 6:30 p.m.

Recycling Committee meets the first Thurs. of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Krzyske Center.

Telecommunications Committee meets the last Mon. of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Hall.

## Senior Citizens Monthly

Huron Township Senior Citizens. Waltz Group: President, Alice McGrew, 753-5954. Meetings: First Tues. noon, sandwich/cards. Third Tues., noon, pot luck and cards. Fifth Tues. 1 p.m., cookies/cards.

New Boston Group: President: Barbara Kreyger, 753-9127. Meetings: First Wed., 12:30 p.m. Third Thurs., 4:30 p.m., pot luck.

Events at Senior Center of Merriman Road: Meals on wheels every day. Hot meals every day 11:30 a.m. Call Linda (Cricket) Thompson at 782-5190. Card party every Monday 12:30 p.m. Trips are offered. Call Francis at 782-2626.

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## VEGETARIAN RECIPES

As promised, I will share my favorite vegetarian recipes for the entire month of November.

I am beginning the month with my most requested vegetable creation.

This recipe is so easy that you can even let the kids help.

For any comments or questions please contact me at The Huron River Weekly, Al Fresco, P.O. Box 472, New Boston, MI



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## VEGETABLE LASAGNA ROLL-UPS

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350° 40-45 min. Preheat oven.

Put some sauce in a baking dish, enough to cover the bottom. These can be a little messy so lay out your noodles on a sheet of wax paper. Spread noodle with 3-4 Tbs. of cottage cheese mixture. On one end start piling on the vegetables, 3-4 pieces of each, don't worry if the vegetables are hanging out the sides.

Carefully roll the vegetables up in the noodle and gently place them in the baking dish. Top each roll-up with 1/4 cup spaghetti sauce. Bake uncovered 30 minutes then top with 1/4 cup Italian blend cheese and bake 10-15 minutes more. Let them sit for a couple of minutes after you take them out.

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\*Amount shown is for individual Roll-up

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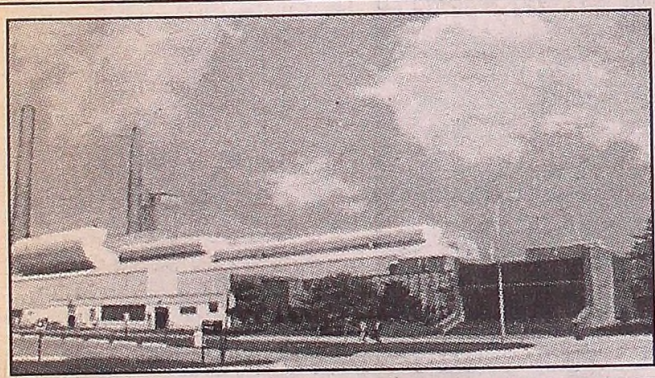
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# TIME CAPSULE

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sule, echoed this same sentiment. He spoke of the desire to "let the future know what the town looked like 100 years ago." He spoke of the time capsule as being able "to stop time."

He spoke of the items that were placed in the capsule and he mentioned the historical calendars, the New Boston Centennial Book, and particularly personal letters written by members of the Society and the Commission.

He concluded his remarks by sharing his desire that the time capsule, "suspended in time would hopefully be opened again by a resident of New Boston."

Lou Gibbs was a very important factor in the completion of the time capsule project. He provided a lot of information and encouragement during the last year. Neither he or Larry wanted to speculate how many phone calls they made to each other as the

project progressed.

Frank Brown was also a big help along with Mike Mykeloff and Larry Kittle. It was fitting that all took part in the ceremony and helped in the actual sealing of the capsule.

Melvin Sheets and his DPW crew did an excellent job preparing the ground for the burial, the cement base and installation of the plaque.

The event was also covered in *The News-Herald* and *The Monroe Evening News* and their coverage was greatly appreciated.

*Editor's note:* Please watch the Third Annual Historical Day and the Time Capsule burial on Public Access Channel 18.

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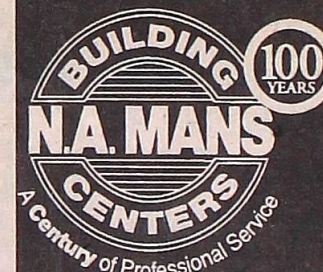
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## Your Cosmic Link For The Week Of November 2nd thru November 8th

### Scorpio

October 24 - November 22

All eyes on you. Time to rest! Was birthday party too much? Over the hill or still looking up? It's all how you view life. Some days best not to look. Unruly child gets the best of you! Did you vote? *Lucky #310.*

### Sagittarius

November 23 - December 21

Time to stop grumbling. No one listening anyway. Home settles as all relatives have returned home. Look in ads for perfect gift. Never too early to buy. May need to put on layaway but not on hold. *Lucky #128.*

### Capricorn

December 22 - January 20

Awww! No new game yet? Life is a game. No need to set on floor to play. New job, not a game! Winter chill closing in. Are you prepared to pay the price? Not the one quoted on internet. Go vote. *Lucky #113.*

### Aquarius

January 21 - February 19

You made it. So did spouse. Time to plan adventure. Children help pack bags? New child in home causing excitement and many changes in plans. Are you up to the task? Old dog runs and runs and runs. R or D? Who cares? *Lucky #127.*

### Pisces

February 20 - March 20

Boy did that taste good! Eating

or drinking? What? You relax few days then plan to get back on the job. Creative mind flows. Big purchase, long-term investment. Spouse worth it? Early morning look tells all. *Lucky #321.*

### Aries

March 21 - April 20

Oh, so what! Give it a rest! All are tired of the story and complaints. Time to start writing that book you always talked about. Don't just pull lever. Know the issues. "Yes or No." Who knows. *Lucky #411.*

### Taurus

April 21 - May 21

You are worse than election aftermath. Still don't have a clue. Did your vote count anyway? Small child needs more than place to stay. Parenting is a job, not a game. Time to grow up.

## Horoscope



William Grover

Lucky #419.

### Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Time to play with children. Act like child yourself. Tell "true story" or two to friends. Already planning next year? Quiet; others may not want to hear. Last days to prepare for winter at doorstep. Ask others where voting booth located. *Lucky #429.*

### Cancer

June 22 - July 23

No! Don't close eyes and pull any lever! Think about future first. Grandparents anxious for visit. Retirement plans move ahead as other just begin. Fall colors gone. Trees bare? Watch youth run. Vote! Vote! Vote! *Lucky #711.*

### Leo

July 24 - August 23

New windows. New roof. Too bad don't live closer to airport or is it. Time to prepare pole barn. Fix wood stove. Ready for winter with wood pile. Feel no one understands. They do. They may be just sleeping on the job. *Lucky #726.*

### Virgo

August 24 - September 23

Recent events on collision course. But not on street. Stand ground firmly. Cast ballot for best people to do the job. You can do it, if only you know. Time to rake leaves? Little tree in yard? Rake anyway. Smile brightens other's life. *Lucky #903.*

### Libra

September 24 - October 23

Records are made to be broken. Glad CDs only scratch. Star shines brightly above head. Don't let it fall. Feel like rat trapped in voting booth. Pull lever to escape. No rest as two day wait for results. Results of what? *Lucky #106.*

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# Letter to the Editor

To The Editor:

An Old Timer's Perspective:

How does one know when the designation "Old Timer" applies? A quick look in the mirror is all it takes. The mirror reverses the image but still reflects the truth. Oh, how quickly it happens! That same look in the mirror relative to the latest political buzzwords is also of interest.

How about buzz word No. 1 Quality Development? Does this mean a Huron Township that has rapid development, because the development part may come much easier than the quality part?

What about Master Plan as an example of a good buzz word? We have a good master plan at this time that has brought us where we are today: i.e., rural setting, large lots, and a developing industrial base. It would seem that the new master plan is nothing more than Wayne County's plan for Huron Township's future. All of us recognize what Wayne County has done for us in the past. Wayne County has always taken good care of our roads particularly during election years. Ha! Drainage on road ditches and main drains is sadly underdone. Wayne County's attitude towards our health and welfare, relative to airport issues on noise pollution and air traffic patterns, is deplorable. Wayne County's handling of the soundproofing of homes has bordered on total negligence.

This leads to Wayne County's latest buzzword for Huron Township. The Pinnacle Project. Of course, this means the top — the top of what? All they want is free, for all front-end zoning by way of the "new" master plan, which will allow Wayne County to do whatever they want. They also want our sewers to which we have paid for and are still paying dearly for. The capacity that Wayne County will take could eliminate our portion of the capacity that is owned by Huron Township, and owned by other downriver communities. Would Wayne County use this system to facilitate some of their fuel pollution problems at Detroit Metro Airport?

"Ring Road" is truly a catchy buzzword. Ring Road is the county's way of facilitating traffic through the Pinnacle Project from a new inter-change at Inkster Road and I-94, then south on Inkster to Pennsylvania Road and then west to the end of Pennsylvania with no access to I-275 at Pennsylvania Road. Next the plan is to bring the Pinnacle traffic down a relocated Wahrman Road to Sibley. I wonder if the County of Wayne is even considering traffic control devices.

The idea of public monies being involved with the Pinnacle Project, and its relationship to private developers and road placement issues, may be highly questionable in the future.

I do not think the residents of New Boston even known what is going to hit them.

"Open Space Zoning" is a

great buzzword. Open Space Zoning has recently been approved by the township and its immediate connotation makes it appear as if it represents a great enhancement to Huron Township's rural setting. Maybe? However, Open Space Zoning does allow for homes on smaller lots and homes on smaller lots make development costs cheaper, which in turn makes development easier — it's a developer's dream. Oh yes, things are going to happen quickly. Is quicker better?

The next buzzword would have to be "Development Coordinator." We all know that

this job has been filled and the shine is still on the apple. Time will tell whether this was another good idea or not.

How about "L.D.F.A.?" I have been involved as chairman in this project since its inception. L.D.F.A. means Local Development Finance Authority. It has taken taxes back from taxing jurisdictions, i.e., the county, the township, and the school district, only with its consent, and it has managed to put in the infrastructure that is necessary to develop the industrial district that is just beginning at South Huron and Bell Roads. The Class A Road

sewer lines and water line on the perimeter of that site and internal drain cleaning are the major improvements to date. Well, Wayne County dislikes the L.D.F.A. because the county's request to be exempted from our accrual of their portion of taxes has been denied by the L.D.F.A. Our response to the county was you are the Sheriff of Nottingham and we are Robinhood and that is the only way to deal with the county.

So you take an old timer's thoughts on things and think time has made him cynical — no, just cautious, just experienced, and

just wary of Greeks with a wooden horse bearing gifts. During my political career, as a younger person, I have had time enough to make my own mistakes on behalf of this community, I would hope that the next Huron Township Board represents a better balance with its fair share of old timers. Remember young people, it pays to stop and take a second look for we are at the last political buzzword for this community "Crossroads."

Look twice — Ignore the razle-dazzle and please vote.

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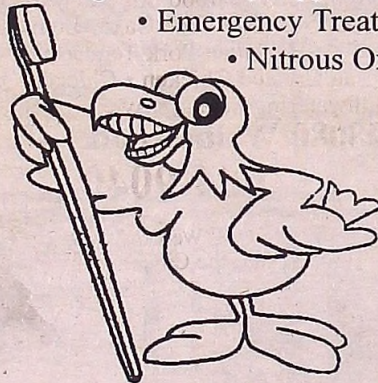
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